

# **FACT SHEET**

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## **Air Force Security Forces Center**



The Air Force Security Forces Center (AFSFC), located at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas, was established in 1997. AFSFC is a field operating agency reporting to the Air Force Director of Security Forces.

#### Vision

The AFSFC vision is to protect the world's most respected air and space forces.

#### Mission

The mission of AFSFC is to organize, train and equip the more than 30,000 active duty, guard and reserve Air Force security forces members protecting Air Force people and assets around the world.

## Personnel and Organization

The center employs approximately 200 military, civilian and contractor personnel at its headquarters and three geographically separated units. AFSFC members develop SF force protection doctrine, policies, plans, programs and resources to execute the mission for nuclear and nonnuclear security, air base defense, combat arms, law enforcement, operations and corrections. The center is also the DoD Executive Agency for military working dogs. AFSFC consists of two units: the Headquarters and the Air Force Force Protection Battlelab.

## **Headquarters Air Force Security Forces Center (HQ AFSFC)**

HQ AFSFC consists of four divisions – Operations, Force Protection, Corrections, and Training and Combat Arms. HQ AFSFC also includes three geographically separated units conducting confinement operations at Miramar, Calif., Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and Charleston, S.C.

### HQ AFSFC's responsibilities include:

- implementing and guiding the Air Force antiterrorism/force protection program, including conducting vulnerability assessments of antiterrorism/force protection programs at military installations and sites
- writing and publishing Air Force instructions, handbooks, manuals and pamphlets as well as developing career field education and training plans for SF officers and enlisted members
- researching concepts and technology to support new operational requirements
- managing the Air Force non-lethal weapons program
- managing the Air Force security forces status of resources and training program
- representing the Air Force on various security-related DoD working groups
- coordinating the deployment of security forces worldwide in support of operational requirements
- identifying and evaluating new weaponry, small arms firing ranges and other systems to secure, shoot, move and communicate
- providing command and management oversight of the Air Force Corrections Program
- providing guidance to Air Force, Army, Navy and Marine Corps military working dog program managers and the DoD Military Working Dog Training Center
- providing DoD military working dog support to the US Secret Service and other US government agencies and
- conducting the annual USAF Defender Challenge worldwide security forces competition.

## **Air Force Force Protection Battlelab (AFFPB)**

The AFFPB identifies innovative concepts for protecting Air Force personnel, facilities, and weapons systems then rapidly measures their potential for advancing Air Force core competencies and joint warfighting. AFFPB members identify innovations through field ingenuity, modeling, simulation and actual employment of exploratory capabilities in operational environments.

The aim of Battlelab initiatives is to drive high payoff changes to force protection doctrine, organization and training.

The AFFPB commander reports to the HQ AFSFC commander.

## **History**

The Air Force Office of Security Police (AFOSP) and Air Force Security Police Agency (AFSPA) preceded AFSFC. AFOSP was relocated from Washington, D.C., to Kirtland AFB, N.M., in October, 1978. On August 1, 1991, AFOSP was redesignated as AFSPA. In October, 1997, AFSPA was redesignated the Air Force Security Forces Center and moved to Lackland AFB, Texas.

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